

• SCRIP TALK •

VOLUME 22

JUNE ISSUE 1995

NO. 75

P. O. BOX 444
LOYALL, KY. 40854-0444



Drawing Compliments
of: Robert Howard

• **BLUEFIELD, WV CHOSEN AS
SITE OF NSCA, INC. FALL MEETING
WATCH FOR DETAILED INFORMATION
IN UPCOMING ISSUES OF *SCRIP TALK***

FOR RESERVATIONS
CALL 304-325-5421

IN THIS ISSUE

**Comments From the Stump
Results of Mail Auction No. 95-3
Results of Floor Auction
Minutes of Executive Committee
And Members Meeting - Marion, IL.
Marion Meeting In Retrospect
New Memorabilia In Production
Debut of NSCA, Inc. Knives
Spurious Token Alert
Bluefield, WV Chosen For Site
Of Fall Meeting of NSCA, Inc.**



SCRIP TALK

ADVERTISING RATES

**Camera Ready Copy - Black
Typewritten or Black Ink.**

Full Page	\$30.00
Half Page	\$20.00
Quarter Page	\$10.00

**NOTE: Only CAMERA READY
Ads will be processed.**

**ALL ADS MUST BE RECEIVED
BY THE 15TH OF THE MONTH
PRIOR TO PUBLICATION. NO
EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE.**

**EDITOR AND PUBLISHER: William C. Stump, P.O. Box 444, Loyall, KY 40854:
FREE ADS EDITOR: Steve Ratliff, 3450 Riverview Drive, Pace, FL 32571-9323:
NEW FINDS EDITOR: Bill Williams, 152 Kawga Way, Loudon, TN 37774.**

NSCA, INC., PRESIDENT: W. C. Stump, Box 444, Loyall, KY 40854-0444 VICE-PRESIDENTS: Claude Travis, Jr., 3599 Merle Travis Highway, Beechmont, KY 42323: James W. Thompson, P.O. Box 4007, Clarksburg, WV 26302-4007: Dave Whisman, 295 Armory Road, Prestonsburg, KY 41653-9120: SECRETARY: Lois Smith, P.O. Box 67, Sophia, WV 25921: TREASURER: Elesa Ballard, 1204 Anderson Drive, Marion, IL 62959: GENERAL COUNSEL: Steve Cawood, P. O. Box 280, Pineville, KY 40977.

**NEEDED URGENTLY HIGH QUALITY TOKENS AND
QUALITY COAL RELATED ARTIFACTS FOR THE
UPCOMING AUGUST MAIL BID AUCTIONS.**

**YOUR SUPPORT WILL INSURE A BRIGHT FUTURE
FOR THE N. S. C. A., INC.**



COMMENTS FROM THE STUMP



The following is a breakdown of the committees I have appointed to assist me in the governance of the Association for the next two years. I have the upmost confidence in these individuals and their past service to our great organization is well known. With their help, I am confident that my promises made to the membership on Feb. 1, 1995 will be carried out.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Nominating Committee:

Mark Ballard (Chairman)
Harold Snodgress
Crawford Blakeman

Publicity and Membership Drive:

Membership:

Lois Smith

Literary:

Tom Shook

Free Ads:

Steve Ratliff

Catalog Committee:

**W. E. Williams - Chairman and
New Finds Editor**
**Steve Ratliff - Special Assistant
to the Chairman on the *Edkins
Catalogue* Revision Project**
**Crawford Blakeman - Special
Assistant**

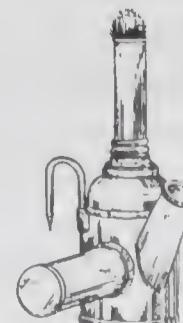
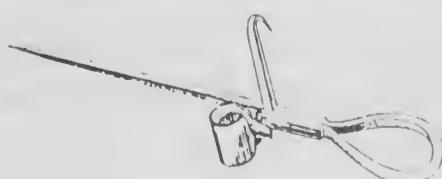
Special Advisors:

D. Mark Ballard
Harold Snodgress
Claude Travis
James W. Thompson
Dave Whisman

Displays:

John J. Podgurski

As we go forth with our various projects, I expect that problems will arise that I must deal with as President. However, as I stated during the General Membership meeting at Marion, IL, as the transfer of authority was passed from President Podgurski to me, I referred to our great American President of the United States, Harry S. Truman, and his well known famous statement, "The Buck Stops Here." In short, if you have a problem of any kind, bring it to me and I will personally do my best to solve same.





THE MARION MEETING IN RETROSPECT

By: W. C. Stump



I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the recent NSCA, Inc. meeting held at Marion, IL. I have been attending NSCA meetings for over 10 years and have attended many great meetings. However, this meeting was the best I have ever attended from many standpoints. The organizational plan utilized by Mark and Elesa Ballard, and their assistants, Mr. and Mrs. Don Jones and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Tippy, was superb. Their plan was so good that I have written special guide lines for organizing NSCA, Inc. meetings based upon the plan and outline developed by Mark and Elesa. In my opinion, if one follows these guidelines, a great meeting will be assured.

The meeting was well attended with over 134 people alone signing up for the door prizes. New and rare items were brought in for sale and for appraisal. A rare Scoby carbide lamp was brought in and after three hours of bidding by numerous collectors, it was sold. Mr. R. R. Tippy had on display three hand crafted lamps from the Late WWII Japanese period. I traded a rare "Baby Wolf" safety lamp and added two rare oil wick lamps to my collection.

Various members also commented on how great the show was from the stand point of attendance and how long the people stayed. Harold "Corkey" Snodgress, a Past President and Charter Member of the NSCA, Inc., stated that in all the 23 years he has been attending NSCA, Inc. meetings, he had never seen as many visitors in attendance and the show running as long and into the late evening as did this meeting. Fennie Thacker, a member and dealer from Haysi, Va., stated that he had sold and traded more at other NSCA shows, but had never seen the enthusiasm and large number of people attending any show than he observed at this meeting. Tom Shook, a member from Johnstown, PA, said he had been attending shows for over 17 years and thought this was the most well attended of any he had ever seen. Over thirty eight tables were occupied and everyone was more than pleased.

Several members of long standing had never attended an NSAC, Inc. meeting before this one. Three in particular were in awe of the meeting. Lou Emma Erby won an award for her display on Williamson County Coal history. Mr. Ore Vacketta, Westville, IL, and Charter Member Number 31, and Mr. Tom Wall, Independence,, Mo., were very pleased in being able to attend the meeting and meeting many fellow members for the first time.

Seven door prizes were donated by Mr. R. R. Tippy, Charter Member and Past President and Mr. D. Mark Ballard, another former Past President. Three were won by guests who had registered at the door.



NEW MEMBERS

The following individuals are welcomed to the ranks of the NSCA, Inc.:

1729. Jim Dunlap
107 E. Central Ave.
Belle, WV 25015
(R. B. Slusher)

1730. Allison Driver
Rt. 2, Box 347 B
Sweetwater, AL 36782
(Jim Farris)

1731. John W. Skaggs
P. O. Box 852
Seabrook, MD 20703
(Bill Williams)

1732. Brian G. Kestner
218 Taylor Blvd.
Millbrae, CA 94030-2455
(Mark Ballard)

1737. Beverly Jo Swanson
921 Belleville
Lebanon, IL 62254
(Elesa Ballard)

1733. Danny Douglas Kennedy
P. O. Box 847
Williamson, WV 25661-0847

1734. Lowell Brock
150 Music Street
Prestonsburg, KY 41653
(Dave Whisman)

1735. Al Quamen
P. O. Box 292
Carbondale, IL 62903-0292
(Mark Ballard)

1736. H. E. "Gene" Sanders
F-3 800 E. Spring Street
Cookeville, TN 38501
(Mark Ballard)

MEMORABILIA SALES AT MARION MEETING TOP ALL RECORDS

NSCA, Inc. Treasurer, Elesa Ballard reports a total of \$726.50 in memorabilia sales for the one day meeting at Marion, IL. The sale of Memorabilia is one of the means the organization has to pay for operating expenses during the year.

Special items are enclosed with this issue of SCRIP TALK at no charge to the members.

MARION FLOOR AUCTION

By: Elesa Ballard

143 lots were sold at the Marion floor auction, with the floor bidders purchasing a total of \$2,186.50. The mail bidders accounted for a 51 lots, totaling \$1,127.65. The 10% commission added to the treasury was \$327.44. (The old plastic show tokens were sold for \$40.00 also.)

NEW MEMORABILIA FOR 1995

By: W. C. Stump

During each year, new memorabilia is produced for the membership. An exciting new item is in the final production stages at this time. It is a \$5.00 NSCA, Inc. token. The token is produced in brass and resembles the tokens used in the days of yesteryear. On the obverse, it has our name around the outer rim with \$5.00 in the center. On the reverse, the token has a \$1.00 Engle-Schierloh Co. logo. The token is the first in a planned series of tokens to be produced during the next two years. A production run of 500 tokens will be produced in this first series. Future series will be produced based upon the response shown for this token. The price for the \$5.00 NSCA, Inc. token is \$5.00. Use your order form to add this great new item to your collection of NSCA, Inc. memorabilia.

GOOSE CREEK MINING CO.

GARRETT, KY (1089 FLOYD COUNTY)

R10 TO R1?

By: W. C. Stump

On May 27, 1995, I received a telephone call from Mr. Dave Whisman, Vice-President. Dave called to report a hoard of previously high rated, and very scarce, coal company scrip used by the Goose Creek Coal Mining Co., Garrett, Ky., that had just surfaced. According to his information, over 2,000 tokens, to include 150 complete sets were offered to him by a local flea market dealer. It appears, according to the information made available to Dave, that the old office building for the Goose Creek Mining Co. had been sold and during the process of demolition, the scrip was discovered. Further investigation by Dave revealed that a local coin dealer, located in Ashland, Ky., had purchased 30 sets, and a fellow member from Huntington, WV, had seen, and been offered, 960 tokens, priced at \$2.50 each. In the end, a dealer purchased 2,000 tokens from this hoard.

All the details of this reported find are not available as of this printing, but any further news pertaining to this reported hoard of scrip will be made available in a future issue.

MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE
RAMADA INN OCTOBER 6-7, 1995
CALL 304-325-5421 FOR RESERVATIONS
ASK FOR NSCA, INC. ROOMS - 1ST FLOOR

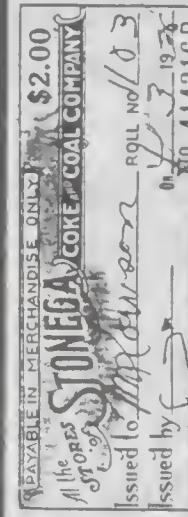
SPURIOUS TOKEN ALERT



**PRICES REALIZED AT MAY FLOOR AUCTION
MARIION, IL- MAY 6, 1995**

Lot Numbers and Prices Realized: 3-21.00, 4-8.00, 5-6.25, 7-11.00, 8-12.00, 8A-6.50, 9-40.00, 10-45.00, 11-25.00, 12-16.00, 13-11.00, 14-28.00, 15-21.00, 17-13.00, 18-14.00, 19-10.00, 23-23.00, 28-16.25, 29-15.75, 30-12.75, 31-23.00, 32-33.00, 33-6.00, 34-18.00, 35-20.00, 36-24.00, 37-20.00, 38-11.00, 39-8.00, 40-8.00, 41-20.00, 42-42.00, 43-25.00, 44-24.00, 46-21.00, 51-16.00, 52-32.00, 53-22.00, 55-11.00, 56-10.00, 57-11.00, 58-23.00, 59-18.00, 60-24.00, 61-47.00, 67-25.00, 69-26.15, 70-47.00, 71-27.00, 72-33.00, 80-30.00, 81-27.00, 82-14.00, 83-16.00, 85-5.00, 86-5.00, 87-5.00, 88-18.00, 90-22.00, 92-27.00, 94-27.00, 95-27.00, 96-10.00, 97-16.00, 98-16.00, 99-17.00, 100-7.00, 102-1.50, 104-3.00, 109-6.00, 110-10.00, 111-5.00, 112-8.00, 116-11.00, 117-11.00, 119-31.00, 120-20.00, 121-25.00, 122-37.00, 123-80.00, 124-32.00, 125-38.00, 126-20.00, 128-23.00, 130-20.00, 131-9.00, 132-9.00, 134-13.00, 135-9.00, 138-12.00, 139-10.00, 141-27.00, 143-20.00, 152-35.00, 153-62.00, 154-57.00, 156-52.00, 158-27.00, 160-80.00, 161-83.00, 162-10.00, 163-22.00, 164-51.00, 173-13.00, 175-36.00, 179-21.00, 182-47.00, 183-52.00, 184-3.00, 185-18.00, 186-18.00, 187-40.00, 192-50.00, 193-50.00, 194-30.00, 195-35.00, 196-35.00, 197-35.00, 200-16.00, 201-12.00, 202-25.00, 203-25.00, 203-19.99, 205-37.00, 206-20.00, 207-25.00, 208-37.00, 209-25.00, 210-10.00, 211-26.00, 213-16.00, 215-15.00, 218-16.00, 224-15.00, 225-18.00, 2226-21.00, 227-34.00, 234-36.00, 236-12.50, 237-12.50, 238-16.00, & 239-40.00 - END
OF SALE - 143 LOHS SOLD FOR \$3,314.15.

MAIL AUCTION SALE 95-3 WINNING BIDS



By: W. G. Simms

This is a very interesting coal company due to the fact that it has ties to both Kentucky and Virginia. The hitherto state listed in *Edkins Catalogue, Second Edition*, is Virginia. The town of record is Emboden, Wise County, Virginia. However, the main mining operation was located off Highway 38 in Harlan County, Kentucky.



The company scrip is rather under rated, in my opinion, as the 1389A50, currently rated R8, is near impossible to locate on today's collector market. This collector is willing to pay \$150.00 for an excellent conditioned token. Call or write if you are willing to part with this elusive A50 token.



C. F. COLLEY ON THE COME BACK TRAIL



By: Steve Cawood

Everyone in Scripville U. S. A. extends their best wishes to the "King of Alabama Scrip Collectors", C. F. Colley, Hanceville, Al. "Colley", as his friends know him, is recuperating from an illness of several months that has sidelined with a neurological condition in his knee that left him "flat of his back" for over three months. After a recent three weeks of rehabilitation, "Colley" reports that he is now back on his feet and plans to be back wheeling and dealing come the October NSCA, Inc. meeting. He extends his regrets at not being able to attend the Marion, IL meeting, but plans to see all his friends at Bluefield, WV, in October.

SCRIP STILL IN USE IN THE KENTUCKY COAL FIELDS

By: W. C. Stump

I know you had second thoughts when you read the title of this article, but it is true. Even though the use of scrip was abandoned in the late 1950's, in 1992, coal company scrip was received in lieu of cash for services rendered. As my last marriage came to an end in early 1992, I was faced with the usual lack of funds that accompany this type of legal action. The most difficult part of a divorce, for me anyway, is paying the attorney fee. Also, anyone marrying a sweet young darling 25 years his junior asks for what I received as I saw her beautiful flowing red hair disappear for the last time as she drove off into the sunset. In the end, all that was left was the memories of the past and the legal bills. In short, "I owed my soul to the company store".

The attorney who represented me in this final divorce was none other than my good friend, The Honorable Steve Cawood. With a little negotiation, it was agreed that I could pay off my outstanding legal expenses with coal company scrip. The only stipulation was that the scrip must be rated R-10. In the end, coal company scrip paid off my debt to the "Company Store" owned by The "Honorable One", Steve Cawood, and another unique chapter to the interesting legacy of the use of coal company scrip was added.



N.S.C.A. FREE ADS FOR MEMBERS

Free Ads are available to NSCA members at no charge. The only requirements being that they be limited to 4 lines, one ad per issue and no auctions. You may send up to four different ads in one mailing. **Deadline for Free Ads is three weeks after the postmark of the current issue of SCRIP TALK.** All ads received after the deadline will be held for the following issue. No ad will rerun automatically, each issue will require a separate request. Paid ads should be sent to SCRIP TALK Editor and NOT the Free Ad Editor. **SEND ALL FREE ADS TO: Steve Ratliff, NSCA Free Ad Editor, 3450 Riverview Drive, Pace, Florida 32571-9323** {Note: + at the end of your ad indicates you need to renew it.)

TENNESSEE COAL TOKENS WANTED FROM: Fogal, Mt. Airy, Norma, Remy and Stainville, for my collection. **Jim Medd, Rt. 13, Box 871, Crossville, TN 38555 +**

BADGE AVAILABLE - AMERICAN MINE SAFETY ASSOC., FIRST AID CONTEST (2 men carrying stretcher with body from mine), Top bar "Pittsburgh, PA 1913" engraved. Br, overall 31 x 57 mm, excellent condition. Trade for KY scrip, tokens, and exonumia needed, scarce chauffeur badges from any State, or cash considered. **Jerome Schaeper, Jr., 705 Philadelphia St., Covington, KY 41011 +**

FLORIDA TOKENS OF ALL TYPES WANTED - I will buy or trade for pieces I need. I have coal scrip to trade for Florida. Also, I want Florida wooden TT's with over-prints of fare increases on them. Give me a try & lets make a trade. Send a LSASE and receive a free Florida token and application to join the Florida Token Society. **Steve Ratliff, 3450 Riverview Dr., Pace, FL 32571**

WILL TRADE FIVE CANCELED MINERS PAY CHECKS from the Koppers Coal Co., Wharton Special Account, Wharton, WV. Drawn on the Kimbal Nat'l Bank, Kimball, WV. Paid to miners which worked here in late 1936 and early 1937 for two pieces of coal or lbr. scrip. **P.J. Rippe, P.O. Box 14, Oak Hill, WV 25901**

WANTED: BETTER IOWA TRADE TOKENS including coal for my collection. **Dan Anderson, P.O. Box 2452, Iowa City, IA 52244 {319} 337-6001 +**

FOR SALE: KY-193B 50 - \$3; 837H 25 - \$5; 2545C 10 - \$1; MX-1 - \$5; ND 2891A 5 - \$7.50; OH 463A 1 \$3.50; 1903A 1 - \$3.50; 3079A 1 - \$3.50, A 10 - \$3.50; 3125A 50 \$10. Will also trade coal scrip for badges, pins & buttons used at state & county fairs that have horse racing. **Bob Kelley, 2689 Cliff Road, North Bend, OH 45052 +**

FANTASTIC HUNDRED year Old Government Revenue Certificates 3 different \$11.50 or 20 different \$76.00 plus pos. Have Sheet of 5 Checks Silver Spring Quarry, Afton, Pa. 189- Best Offer. I want Jeney Lind Tokens. **Frank Sprinkle, 800 Lake Port Blvd., 110 Harris, Leesburg, FL 34748 +**

CASH PAID FOR 8,133 TOKENS AND MEDALS IN 1994. Many more needed in 1995. Check our high-high buying prices. **Williges, Box 1245, Wheatland, CA 95692-1245 +**

I NEED COAL SCRIP, especially sets, from all counties in WV except Barbour, Boone, Fayette, Greenbrier, Harrison, Kanawha, Logan, McDowell, Mercer, Mingo, Monogalia, Nicholas, Preston, Raleigh, and Wyoming. Please write to: **Alfred J. Bruey, 201 S. Grinnell St., Jackson, MI 49203 or phone {517} 784-1411**

YOUR FREE AD COULD HAVE BEEN HERE! Send in your ad today for the next issue. You can send in up to four different ads at one time. Please indicate the order in which they are to be run. **Don't delay - there is a deadline - send your ad in today!**

EXPLOSIVE CONTROL TOKENS wanted by private collector. Buy, sell, trade. Wish to correspond with other collectors, similar interest. **Ski, 709-A Commercial Avenue, Ridgecrest, CA 93555-4312 +**

N.S.C.A. FREE ADS FOR MEMBERS

TO RECEIVE 5 DIFFERENT COAL SCATTER TAGS, send \$1.00 and a SASE. I also have a list of scrap for sale. Please send a large SASE for a copy. *Eli Hurrah, 1622 W. 10th Street, Fremont, NE 68025* +

WANTED FOR MY COLLECTION coal tokens from Webster County, W. Va. Specifically Edkins #231, 789, 957 & 2961. *Ron Miller, 1216 Glenwick Drive, Logansport, IN 46947* +

I HAVE TWO PCS OF LUMBER FOR TRADE ONLY, for something I can use in KY Coal Sargent Lumber Co. Sargent, FLA AL RD 10, 1447-10 Other, A R Humble Stave & Lumber Co Inc. Knoxville, TENN 394-25 Unl. *Dave Whisman, 295 Arvory Road, Prestonsburg, KY 41653* phone 606/880-6065 after 8 PM. +

WANTED: MD LUMBER, COAL, ETC. ITEMS. Price and describe in 1st letter. *J.M. Boswell, P.O. Box 428, Gambrills, MD 21054-0428*

NEED COAL SCRIP FROM THESE PENNSYLVANIA TOWNS: Coverdale, Jenner, Jerome, Mac Donaldton, Mcerolt, and Mversdale. *Jim Hartman, P.O. Box 1702, Beaver Falls, PA 15010*

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MARION, IL MAY 5, 1995

A REGULAR MEETING of the Executive Committee of N.S.C.A., INC. was held on Friday, May 5, 1995, at the Holiday Inn, Marion, Illinois. Present were the following, constituting a quorum for the transaction of business: President John Podgurski; Vice-Presidents Bill Stump and Jim Thompson; Treasurer Elesa Ballard; Secretary Lois Smith; General Counsel Steve Cawood; and Past-President Mark Ballard, Crawford Blakeman, Harold Snodgress, R. R. Tippy and Bill Williams. Vice-President Claude Travis arrived later.

After discussion concerning the disposition of old plastic show tokens, a motion was made by Steve Cawood, second by Elesa Ballard and passed by the Executive Committee, to put the tokens on the floor auction.

Discussion was held on future meeting sites, with Mark Ballard and Bill Stump introducing guidelines for hosting a show. The Executive Committee agreed on Bluefield, West Virginia for the Fall 1995 meeting and Pikeville, Kentucky as the site for the Spring 1996 meeting. Also, Harlan, Kentucky was considered for a 1997 25th Anniversary meeting.

President Podgurski opened discussion concerning the minting of a set of N.S.C.A., Inc. scrip, with tokens from 1¢ to \$5.00. Motion made by Jim Thompson, second by Steve Cawood and passed by the Executive Committee, to proceed with the first token.

President Podgurski introduced "N.S.C.A., Inc. Election Guidelines" (copy attached). Discussion was held on guidelines and ways to insure voter privacy. Steve Cawood presented methods known to work for mail ballots. Motion was made by Jim Thompson, second by Lois Smith and passed by the Executive Committee, to accept the proposed guidelines.

Treasurer Elesa Ballard reported that as of May 5, 1995, we have in our checking account a balance of \$6,195.45. The Lifetime Membership account has a balance of \$2,600.00 and the newly opened Book Fund Account (monies transferred from Bill Williams) has a balance of \$11,501.71, of which \$10,000.00 will be put in a six (6) month C.D. at 5.09% interest.

Claude Travis announced that Bill Stump was the winner of the membership contest, having signed 10 new members. An article in Coin World sparked some interest—"Thanks" to the responsible party.

Bill Williams reported Trantow's lumber token book is still months away under the town name, under the company listing the oldest tokens will be listed first. There will be no change in numbering. Every state has been reviewed or is being reviewed.

President Podgurski announced that the Fall 1995 meeting will be held in Bluefield, West Virginia. Harlan Kentucky was discussed at the site for the 1997 25th Anniversary meeting.

Secretary Lois Smith reported membership now totals 381 members, with a total of 80 former members not renewing for 1995. New membership applications and membership card were introduced by Bill Stump. Motion was made by Steve Cawood, second by Bill Stump and passed by the Executive Committee, to accept the Secretary's report.

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING CONTINUED

Bill Williams reported that Terry Trantow has everything computerized and copies have been sent out to be reviewed and returned to him. Jim Thompson added that Trantow will solicit corrections or additions ONE MORE TIME for the lumber token catalog. Williams also reported that Volume I of Edkins Catalog has been sent out for review, with most states now returned. Also, there will be a reorganization of the listings but no change in numbering. Also noted was the need to list the Schenckan Exploder Control token books in Script Talk for sale, needing to sell four (4) Collector Editions at \$50.00 each and about 30 other books to break even.

Jim Thompson introduced the idea of souvenir cards for future N.S.C.A. meetings. A motion to explore the idea and costs for souvenir cards was made by Bill Stump, second by Jim Thompson and passed by the Executive Committee and may be available for the Bluefield show.

With no more new business to discuss, motion to adjourn made by Bill Stump second by Lois Smith and passed by the Executive Committee. President Podgurski adjourned the meeting.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF NSCA, INC. - MAY 6, 1995

A REGULAR MEETING of the members of N.S.C.A., Inc. was held on Saturday, May 6, 1995, at the Holiday Inn, Marion, Illinois, following the membership dinner. President John Podgurski announced the presence of a quorum for the transaction of business.

President Podgurski opened the meeting with a special "thanks" to Elesa and Mark Ballard, R.R. Tippy and all others that worked so hard to make the Marion Show a success.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of deceased members Lester Bernstein, Arthur Frazier, Warren Jarrell, John David Sebo, C.R. "Windy" Walkup and Thomas Hereford and his wife.

Secretary Lois Smith read the minutes of the previous meeting. A total of 58 new members has been signed since last May, with 80 members not renewing for 1995, we had net loss of 22 members. However, four new members were signed at the show and our membership now totals 385. Motion was moved and passed to accept the Secretary's report.

Treasurer Elesa Ballard reported that as of May 5, 1995, we have in our checking account a balance of \$6,195.45. The Lifetime Membership account has a balance of \$2,600.00 and the newly opened Book Fund Account (monies transferred from Bill Williams) has a balance of \$11,501.71, of which \$10,000.00 will be put in a six (6) month C.D. at 5.09% interest.

Claude Travis announced that Bill Stump was the winner of the membership contest, having signed 10 new members. An article in Coin World sparked some interest—"Thanks" to the responsible party.

Bill Williams reported Trantow's lumber token book is still months away under the town name, under the company listing the oldest tokens will be listed first. There will be no change in numbering. Every state has been reviewed or is being reviewed.

President Podgurski announced that the Fall 1995 meeting will be held in Bluefield, West Virginia. Harlan Kentucky was discussed at the site for the 1997 25th Anniversary meeting.

Secretary Lois Smith reported membership now totals 381 members, with a total of 80 former members not renewing for 1995. New membership applications and membership card were introduced by Bill Stump. Motion was made by Steve Cawood, second by Bill Stump and passed by the Executive Committee, to accept the Secretary's report.

Tom Shook presented the Ancil Donohoe Award for the best article published in "Script Talk" to Bill Stump for his article "Farewell to a Friend".

Crawford Blakeman presented the Paul Jensen Display Awards with the "People's Choice" being awarded to Mark Ballard; 2nd place to Bill Stump; and 3rd place to Lou Anna Erby, who was attending her first show.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
MEMBERS OF NSCA, INC. - CONTINUED

The membership had no new business. President Podgurski informed the members of the Executive Committee's decision to mint a set of scrip (1¢ to \$5.00) and also the idea of souvenir cards for future meetings.

Mark Ballard announced the results of the first democratic election held by N.S.C.A., Inc.: President, Bill Stump; Vice-Presidents, Claude Travis, Jim Thompson and Dave Whisman; Treasurer, Elesa Ballard; Secretary, Lois Smith and General Counsel, Steve Cawood. At this time President Podgurski passed the gavel to President-Elect Bill Stump.

President Stump presented Past-President John Podgurski his award. At this time John thanked all those who helped him through these past two years, presenting Certificates of Appreciation to Mark Ballard, Tom Shook and Bill Williams.

President Stump thanked all for thier support. Committee assignments were as follows: Nominating Committee, Mark Ballard (Chairman), Harold Snodgress and Crawford Blakeman; Membership, Lois Smith; Literary, Tom Shook; Displays, John Podgurski; Free Ads, Steve Ratliff; Catalog Committee, Bill Williams (Chairman and New Finds Editor), Steve Ratliff (Special assistant to Chairman on the Edkins Catalog Revision Project - Vol. I.), and Crawford Blakeman; Special Advisors, Mark Ballard, Harold Snodgress, Claude Travis, Jim Thompson and Dave Whisman.

Motion moved and passed to adjourn. Floor auction followed with 143 lots selling for \$3,314.15 and N.S.C.A. netting \$367.44.

Lois Smith

LOIS SMITH, SECRETARY

JOHN J. PODGURSKI, PRESIDENT

ALABAMA TOKEN CATALOGUE AVAILABLE SOON

A late June delivery date was reported recently by the publisher of the hardbound catalogue, Alabama Trade Tokens, by Roy J. Wood. The book will have approximately 300 pages with complete descriptions of the known Alabama tokens. Tokens are listed alphabetically under the town names which also are listed alphabetically. A 10-step scale is used to indicate the rarity of the older tokens.

Catalogues are priced at \$32.00, postpaid. Also, we have a few special books with deluxe binding, numbered copies 20 through 30, still available at \$51.00, postpaid. Everyone who requested one of the special books has been advised of the number, so we ask that you please mention your number when ordering. Also, if you want an autographed copy, please advise when writing or ordering.

Orders will be accepted by check or money order made payable to **Birmingham Public Library**. Send book orders to:

Dr. Marvin Whiting
c/o Birmingham Public Library
2100 Park Place
Birmingham, AL 35203.

Please send complete descriptions and rubbings of any unlisted Alabama tokens to the author: **Roy J. Wood, 570 Cove Road, Wilsonville, AL 35186**. These will be published in a supplement to the book at a later date. Also, if you notice any mistakes in the book, send corrections with page and line numbers so that we can make a list and notify others. *Thank you.*

FULL TIME SCRIP TALK EDITOR AND AUCTION CO-ORDINATOR NEEDED

By: W. C. Stump



In May of 1994, President John J. Podgurski and myself agreed to take over the duties of Interim Auction Co-Ordinator and Interim Editor of *Scrip Talk* until the positions could be filled with full time replacements. President Podgurski resigned his auction position as of the May meeting in Marion, IL. I have agreed to take over his responsibilities in addition to that of the Interim Editor of *Scrip Talk* until these positions can be filled. Thus far, no one has come forward to fill either position.

I would like to request that any member who is willing to take either position to contact me as soon as possible. A computer with a word processor is essential to carrying out the duties that accompany each job. My health is slowly failing due to a bad heart and Diabetes. My Doctor had informed me that I really don't need the stress that accompanies either of these activities.

Another position that I have not filled is that of Publicity Chairman. If anyone would be willing to serve in this position, please contact me, Mr. R. R. Tippy, who has handled this responsibility in the past, has agreed to assist, but because of his age, can't assume full time activity that the position requires.

I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the recent NSCA, Inc. meeting held at Marion, IL. I have been attending NSCA meeting for over 10 years and have attended many great meetings. However, this meeting was the best I have ever attended from many stand points. The organizational plan utilized by Mark and Elesa Ballard, and their assistants, was superb. Their plan was so good that I have written special guidelines for organizing NSCA, Inc. meeting based upon the plan and outline developed by Mark and Elesa. In my opinion, if one follows these guidelines, a great meeting will be assured. For more on the Marion meeting, see the article *Marion Meeting in Retrospect*.

SPECIAL THANKS

OUR SECRETARY, LOIS SMITH, AND TREASURER, ELESA BALLARD WORK AT OUR MEETINGS WELL AFTER EVERYONE HAS RETIRED FOR THE EVENING TO SEE THAT THE ROOM BID AUCTION IS COMPLETED. ALSO, THEY BOTH ASSIST IN SELLING MEMORABILIA DURING THE MEETING, AND IN SHORT, GO BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY TO SEE THAT WE HAVE A GREAT TIME AT THE MEETINGS. I TEND TO TAKE THEIR WORK FOR GRANTED SOMETIMES, BUT WANT EVERYONE TO KNOW WHAT A GREAT HELP THEY ARE. SO FROM THE PHANTOM AND I GO OUT A BIG THANK YOU TO LOIS AND ELESA.

NSCA, INC. 23RD ANNIVERSARY KNIFE MAKES DUBUT AT THE MARION SPRING MEETING

By: W. C. Stump

The first NSCA, Inc. produced commemorative Case knife was introduced at the Marion meeting on May 6, 1995. Only 25 units were produced and all proceeds from the sale of these knives go directly to the Association. Each knife is serial numbered, comes with beautiful rose wood handles with the coal miner, as depicted in our official logo hand engraved into the handle. Both blades are etched with the name of our association and the site of the meeting. The knife comes in an attractive wooden box and a certificate signed by John J. Podgurski, then President of the NSCA, Inc.

NOTE: See the April issue of *SCRIP TALK*, Volume 22, No. 74, page 7, for a more detailed article on these great collectors knives. You may order your NSCA, Inc. knife by using the NSCA, Inc. Memorabilia order form.

SCRIP TALK

VOLUME 22 AUGUST, 1995 NUMBER 75

NEW COMPUTER TO BE USED BY "THE PHANTOM"

A new look for *Scrip Talk* is to be introduced beginning with the August issue. The Phantom has brought a new and updated computer system to replace the outdated equipment now in use. He has actually added a special program to correct his spelling and typographical mistakes. He assures everyone if any spelling errors are found, he will resume his former position. However, until The Phantom and yours truly can be educated in its use, we may still have a bit of trouble producing what he assures me as being a high quality newsletter. Only time will tell. Your comments on the new format will be more than welcomed.

W. C. Stump - Editor

ARTICLES FOR SCRIP TALK NEEDED

Interesting articles concerning scrip, early coal companies, and unusual mine artifacts are needed. Please try to limit each article to two pages or less. Space is limited, but all articles will be published as space permits.



AUCTION - MAIL BID - JUNE, 1995 CLOSING DATE: JULY 5, 1995

SWO denotes slight wear on obverse

SWR denotes slight wear on reverse

MB denotes Minimum Bid

UL denotes unlisted token

LOT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	RATING
------------	-------------	--------

ALABAMA

1. 355C1	- Alabama By-Products, Alabama	R6
2. 1191A25	- Southeastern Fuel Co., Gorgas, AL	R7
3. 1191A50	- Southeastern Fuel Co., Gorgas, AL (SWO)	R7
4. 809A100	- Woodward Iron Co., Dolomite	R8 MB \$ 5.00
5. 809A500	- Woodward Iron Co., Dolomite	R8 MB \$ 6.00
6. 2013A100	- Woodward Iron Co., Mulga (SWO)	R8 MB \$ 4.00
7. 2073A100	- Woodward Iron Co., Red Ore, AL	R8 MB \$ 4.00
8. 3089B100	- Woodward Iron Co., By-Products (SWO)	R6 MB \$ 5.00
9. 3089C500	- Woodward Iron Co., By-Products (SWO)	R9 MB \$ 8.00
10. 1028A50	- Sloss-Sheffield Steel & Iron Co., Flat Top, AL	R8 MB \$14.00

ILLINOIS

11. 1170C5	- Big Creek Mercantile Company, Grayson, IL	R8 MB \$35.00
12. 2477A100	- Franklin Supply Co., Royalton, IL	R9 MB \$30.00
13. 192E1000	- Wasson's Dept. Store, Carrier Mills, IL	R8 MB \$30.00
14. 1309B100	- Yuill Bros. Mercantile Company, Grayson, IL	UL MB \$25.00

IOWA

15. 2149C25	- Black Diamond Store Co., Ottumna, IO	R9 MB \$20.00
-------------	--	---------------

KENTUCKY

16. 1463A100	- Kentucky Block Fuel Co. (Marked Credit Check) Jonancy, KY - Pike County	UL MB \$55.00
17. 1463A50	- Same as above	UL MB \$55.00
18. 1897A5	- Mingo Coal & Coke Co., Middlesboro, KY	R8 MB \$20.00
19. 1897C5	- Same as above	R8 MB \$20.00
20. 1897D100	- Same as above	R8 MB \$20.00
21. 1041G5	- Clear Fork Coal & Coke, Fonde, KY (SWO&R)	R10 MB \$55.00
22. 3109A5b	- Harlan Fuel Company, Yancy, KY (Over rated)	YES MB \$15.00
23. 1499C5	- Black Mountain Coal Corp., Kenvir, Ky. (Over rated as an R9)	MB \$14.00
24. 2159D1b	- Mahan Jellico Coal Co., Packard, Ky.	MB \$16.00
25. 1055C5	- Belva Straight Creek Stores, Fore Mile, KY	R9 MB \$14.00

MONTANA

26. 2469A100	- The Winton Trading Co., Roundup, MT	R9 MB \$20.00
--------------	---------------------------------------	---------------



NORTH CAROLINA

27. 290A5 - Champion Employee's Stores, Inc., Canton, NC R8 MB \$19.00

NORTH DAKOTA

28. 1091A25 - Stevens Bros. Coal Co., Garrison, ND R8 MB \$17.00

OHIO

29. 3125A50 - The American Rolling Mill, Zanesville, OH R8 MB \$12.00

PENNSYLVANIA

30. 2841A50 - Kiskiminetas Supply Co., Truxall, PA R9 MB \$17.50

TENNESSEE

31. - Shawnee Iron Co., Incorporated, Shawnee, TN UL MB \$45.00
 32. 501 (SET) - Red Ash Coal Co., Caryville, TN. Note: Set is MB \$35.00
 uncirculated and would enhance any collection.
 L5-R8, K10-R7, L25-R9, L50-R9, and L100-R6.

VIRGINIA

33. 1841A1 - Superior Anthracite Mines, McCoy, VA R8 MB \$20.00
 34. 2255T5 - Pocahontas Corporation, Tazewell, VA UL MB \$55.00

EXPLODER

35. 17 Different explosive control tokens - Schenkman C25, C26, C30, C31A
 C29, C51, C54, C55, C65, G5, J20, M26, M31, N35, P5B, V10B. MB \$65.00

WEST VIRGINIA

36. 429A1	- Cook & Hart Store Co., Byron, WV	R10 MB \$35.00
37. 2297A100	- Kellam Cash Store, Prince, WV	R9 MB \$16.00
38. 2101H25	- James G. Witt, Oakmont, WV	R8 MB \$11.00
39. 275A100a	- Birch Fork Coal Co., Birtchton, WV	R9 MB \$16.00
40. 1151B5	- Louisville Coal & Coke, Goodwill, WV	UL MB \$12.00
41. 3061F100	- Winding Gulf Coals, Inc., Winding Gulf, WV	R7 MB \$10.00
42. 3061C500	- Winding Gulf Coals, Inc., Winding Gulf, WV	R9 MB \$35.00
43. 3061C1000	- Winding Gulf Coals, Inc., Winding Gulf, WV	R9 MB \$30.00
44. 2983A5-A10	- Westchester-Poch., Westchester, WV	R5-R5 MB \$10.00
45. 2983A25-50	- Westchester-Poch., Westchester, WV	R5-R5 MB \$10.00
46. 2983A100	- Westchester-Poch., Westchester, WV	55 MB \$ 5.00
47. 3067C5-10	- Winifrede Collieries, Winifrede, WV	R3-R4 MB \$10.00
48. 3067B25-50	- Winifrede Collieries, Winifrede, WV	R4-R6 MB \$10.00
49. 3067A100	- Winifrede Collieries, Winifrede, WV	R3 MB \$ 3.00
50. 3067B100a-B100b	- Winifrede Collieries, Winifrede, WV	R4-R4 MB \$10.00
51. MFGS	- Advance Coal Mining Co., Sample - MINT	MB \$15.00



52. 294105	- The Valley Camp Stores, Ward, WV 1947	UL MB \$20.00
53. 2941G5-G10	- The Valley Camp Stores, Ward, WV	R3-R7 MB \$10.00
54. 2941J100	- The Valley Camp Stores, Ward, WV	R7 MB \$10.00
55. 2941G100	- The Valley Camp Stores, Ward, WV	R8 MB \$12.00
56. 3013H5-H10	- Blue Star Store Co., Whitesville, WV	R4-R6 MB \$12.00
57. 3013G25-H50	- Blue Star Store Co., Whitesville, WV	R5-R7 MB \$15.00
58. 3119A5-A10	- Rum Creek Coal Co., Yolyn, WV	R8-R2 MB \$12.00
59. 3119A25-A50	- Rum Creek Coal Co., Yolyn, WV	R3-R4 MB \$10.00
60. 1593A10	- Pocahontas Coal Co., Leckie, WV	R9 MB \$25.00
61. MFGS1	- City Coal & Coke Co.	R5 MB \$10.00
62. 93 Set	- Gauley Mountain Coal Co., Ansted, WV L5-R6, L10-R4, K25-R4, K50-Rr, & L100-R6	MB \$20.00
63. 93 5 tokens	- Gauley Mountain Coal Co., Ansted, WV A1-R2, N1a-R2, N1b-R2, N1c-R2, & O1-R7	MB \$15.00
64. 93 Set	- Croft & Evans Store, Ansted, WV B5-R8, B10-R5, B25-R5, B50-R5, B100-R6 B500-R10 I5-R7, I10-R7, I25-R7, & I50-R8	MB \$75.00
65. 93 2 tokens	- Croft & Evans Store, Ansted, WV B1-R5 & J1-R7	MB \$15.00
66. 261A1	- By-Products Pocahontas Co., Big Four, WV	R7 MB \$12.00
67. 261B1	- By-Products Pocahontas Co., Big Four, WV	R8 MB \$15.00
68. 45A1a	- Algoma C & C Co., Algoma, WV	R6 MB \$ 8.00
68. 45A1b	- Algoma C & C Co., Algoma, WV	R6 MB \$ 8.00
70. 47A1	- Algonquin Store, Algonquin, WV	R8 MB \$15.00
71. 47C1	- Lamar Colliery Co., Algonquin, WV	R9 MB \$25.00
72. 47C10b	- Same as above	R6 MB \$ 7.50
73. 47B25	- Same as above	R6 MB \$ 7.50
74. 47C50	- Same as above	R8 MB \$15.00
75. 47C100	- Same as above	R9 MB \$30.00
76. 69A1	- Alpha Poca. Coal Co., Alpoca, WV	R7 MB \$12.00
77. 81X100	- Guyan Eagle Stores, Amherstdale, WV	R5 MB \$ 5.00
78. 81L1	- Same as above	R7 MB \$12.00
79. 81M1	- Same as above	R5 MB \$ 5.00
80. 81S1	- Same as above	R6 MB \$ 5.00
81. 81T1a	- Same as above	R5 MB \$ 5.00
82. 81T1b	- Same as above	R5 MB \$ 5.00
83. 81U1	- Same as above	R4 MB \$ 4.00
84. 81V1	- Same as above	R4 MB \$ 4.00
85. 81 -9 tokens	- Amherst Coal Company, Amherstdale, WV K5-R3, H5-R2, H10-R7, K10-R5, H25-R3, H50-R3, H100-R3, H500-R6, & I500-R6	MB \$25.00
86. 83 -5 tokens	- Amigo Coal Co., Amigo, WV F1-R3, 2 unlisted 1 cent tokens, A50-R5, & A25-R5	MB \$30.00
87. 83G1	- Wyoming Stores., Amigo, WV	R8 MB \$15.00
88. 91 -6 tokens	- Leckie Smokeless Coal Co., Anjean, WV C1-R1, B1-R5, B5-R8, B10-R5, X100-R1 & B100-R6.	MB \$30.00
89. 77B1	- American Eagle Colliery, Ameagle, WV	R2 MB \$ 2.00
90. 459 -4 tokens	- Cannelton Coal & Coke Co., Cannelton, WV B25-R3, B50-R2, C100-R4, & A500-R4	MB \$12.00

91. 127C5-C50	- Ashland Coal & Coke Co., Ashland, WV	R6-R5	MB	\$12.00
92. 127	- 7 tokens - Same as above		MB	\$25.00
	A1a-R6, A1b-R5, B1-R4, C1,R2, D1-R3, C10-R4			
	C25-R4			
93. 239B10	- N. R. & P., Berwind, WV	R9	MB	\$25.00
94. 239B25	- Same as above	R9	MB	\$25.00
95. 239A1b	- Same as above	R7	MB	\$10.00
96. 239A1c	- Same as above	R7	MB	\$10.00
97. 239B1	- Same as above	(Brass & no cut out)	UL	MB \$20.00
98. 239D1a&b	- Same as above	R2-R2	MB	\$ 5.00
99. 243A1	- Beckley Smokeless Coal Co., Besoco, WV	R10	MB	\$50.00
100. 243B1	- Same as above	R10	MB	\$50.00
101. 121A10	- Atlantic Smokeless Coal Co., Asco, WV	R7	MB	\$10.00
102. 81A1	- Proctor Store, Amherstdale, WV	R9	MB	\$25.00
103. 81	- 9 tokens - Amherst Coal Co., Amherstdale, WV	MB		\$30.00
	All 1 Cent tokens - 1-R1, 2-R2, 3-R3, 2-R4, 1-R6			
104. 1697R1b	- Amherst Coal Co., Lundale, WV (2 1b R5 tokens)	MB		\$10.00
105. 105A1	- S. J. Patterson Poca. Co., Arista, WV	R10	MB	\$50.00
	NOTE: This token has been dug, but readable and rare.			
106. 187A10	- Becco Mercantile Co., Becco, WV	R6	MB	\$ 6.50
107. 187A25	- Same as above	R6	MB	\$ 6.50
108. 187A50	- Same as above	R7	MB	\$10.00
109. 187A100	- Same as above	R7	MB	\$10.00
110. 189D1&C1	- Standard Fire Creek Coal Co., Beckley, WV	MB		\$10.00
	R2- & R7			
111. 189F1&E1	- Hollywood Coal Company, Beckley, WV	R7-R8	MB	\$25.00
112. 189I1	- General Dept. Stores, Beckley, WV	R5	MB	\$ 5.00
113. 189J1	- Same as above	R5	MB	\$ 5.00
114. 189(K1)	- Same as above	UL	MB	\$25.00
115. 189(J50)	- Same as above	UL	MB	\$25.00
116. 201	3 tokens - Seneca Stores., Bellburn, WV	MB		\$15.00
	D1-R4, C1-R6, & E10-R7			
117. 203	3 tokens - Frye Coal Co., Belle, WV	MB		\$25.00
	A1-R8, B1-R6, & A5-R7			
118. 209C1	- Bellwood Coal Company, Bellwood, WV	R7	MB	\$10.00

PHANTOM GRAM



MAIL BID AUCTION 95-4 IS MY FIRST AUCTION. I DON'T HAVE ANY MAGIC TRICKS TO USE LIKE PULLING "SCRIP RABBITS" OUT OF A TOP HAT. I'LL NOT PROMISE ANYTHING I CAN'T DELIVER EITHER. THE ONLY THING I HAVE TO OFFER IS GREAT AUCTION RESULTS WITH THE LOWEST COMMISSION RATE FOUND IN "SCRIPVILLE". I ONLY CHARGE THE CONSIGNOR A SMALL 10% COMMISSION RATHER THAN THE 20% CHARGED BY ALL OUR COMPETITORS. THE NSCA. INC. IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION AND DON'T NEED TO MAKE A PROFIT AT THE EXPENSE OF OUR MEMBERS. THE 10% COMMISSION CHARGED IS USED TO MEET THE EXPENSES INCURRED. SO WHEN YOU HEAR ME SAY SOMETHING, IT IS THE TRUTH AND I SPEAK NOT WITH A FORKED TONGUE. ALSO, IF I TELL YOU IT IS GOING TO RAIN, GET YOUR UMBRELLA OUT. SO SEND ME YOUR GOOD TOKENS AND MINE ARTIFACTS AND I'LL SEE THAT YOU GET THE MOST FOR YOUR ITEMS. THAT'S A "PHANTOM PROMISE", NOT A LOT OF SMOKE, BOLOGNA, OR HOT AIR. MY MOTTO FOR 1995 IS "TRUST THE PHANTOM IN 95, AND KEEP HAPPY AND OUR HOBBY ALIVE."